

PRODUCTS OF DISTRIBUTIONS IN COLOMBEAU ALGEBRA

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Products of distributions in Colombeau algebra

- ❖ Introduction to the distribution theory
- ❖ Main problems that the theory of distributions is concerned with
- ❖ Construction of Colombeau algebra
- ❖ Results on Colombeau products of distributions



Introduction – Theory of distributions

- Theory of distributions 1950s
 - Mathematical meaning of many concepts in science that were defined heuristic previously
 - Dirac δ function and its derivatives
 - The properties were defined heuristically, to be appropriate to the experimental results and to be appropriate for analysis and solving the problems that they characterize
 - The most operations with those concepts remain without mathematical support

$$\delta(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \neq 0 \\ \infty & x = 0 \end{cases} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) dx = 1 \quad (1)$$

Introduction – Theory of distributions

- Need for generalizing the notion of function
- Distribution (generalized function)
- Laurent Schwartz, '*Theory of Distributions*' (1950)
 - Many concepts that can not be described with functions can be described with distributions
 - Concepts that can be described with functions can also be described with distributions



Introduction – Theory of distributions

- ▶ $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ - space of smooth functions with compact support (test functions)
- ▶ *Generalized function (distribution) is continuous linear mapping $f : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$*

$$f(\varphi) = \langle f, \varphi \rangle \quad (2)$$

$\mathcal{D}' = \mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$ - the space of distributions with domain \mathcal{D}



Introduction – Theory of distributions

- f - locally integrative function

$$f(\varphi) = \langle f, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x) \varphi(x) dx \quad (3)$$

- f - *regular distribution*

- *Singular distributions*

- Dirac δ distribution:

$$\langle \delta, \varphi \rangle = \varphi(0) \quad (4)$$



➤ Differentiation of distributions

$$f \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}) \quad \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{R})$$

➤ $\left\langle f^{(n)}(x), \varphi(x) \right\rangle = (-1)^n \left\langle f(x), \varphi^{(n)}(x) \right\rangle \quad (5)$

$$f \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n) \quad \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{R}^n)$$

$$D^k = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \right)^{k_i} \quad k_i \in \mathbf{N}_0 \quad k = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i$$

➤ $\left\langle D^k f, \varphi \right\rangle = (-1)^k \left\langle f, D^k \varphi \right\rangle \quad (6)$

- ❖ **Arbitrary ordered derivative of function will always exist if we consider that function as generalized function (distribution)**
- **Two main problems for the distribution theory:**
 - **Product of distributions** (not any two distributions can always be multiplied)
 - the product of distributions is not associative operation
 - **Differentiating the product of distributions** (the product of distributions not always satisfy the Leibniz rule)



Introduction – sequential approach

- ▶ The application of distributions in non linear systems needs products of singular distributions
- ▶ Attempts for defining product of distributions that will be generalization of existing products

- **Regularization method**

$\varphi_n \rightarrow \delta(x)$ - delta sequence; f - distribution

$$f_n(x) = (f * \varphi_n)(x) = \langle f(y), \varphi_n(x - y) \rangle \quad (7)$$

- Sequence of smooth functions (f_n) ; $f_n \rightarrow f$
- (f_n) - *regularization of the distribution* f

- $$fg = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f * \varphi_n) \cdot (g * \varphi_n) \quad (8)$$



Introduction – sequential approach

➤ with regularization method:

➤ $\frac{1}{x} \cdot \delta = -\frac{1}{2} \delta'$ (9)

➤ but, $\delta \cdot \delta = \delta^2$ is not defined neither with the regularization method



Colombeau algebra

- ❖ Overcoming the problem with product of distributions
- ❖ Construction of algebra A with properties:
 - 1) Contains the space of distributions $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and $f(x) \equiv 1$ is neutral element in A
 - 2) There exist linear differential operators $\partial_i : A \rightarrow A$ which satisfy the Leibnitz's rule
 - 3) ∂_i generalizes the notion of derivation on the space of distributions
 - 4) The product in A generalizes the product of continuous functions



❖ Schwartz's impossibility result

▶ functions $f(x) = x$ and $g(x) = |x|$ are considered

▶ derivative of their classical product:

$$\partial(x|x|) = 2|x| \quad (10)$$

$$\partial^2(x|x|) = 2\partial(|x|) \quad (11)$$

▶ Derivative of their product in A

$$\partial(x \cdot |x|) = |x| + x \cdot \partial(|x|) \quad (12)$$

$$\partial^2(x \cdot |x|) = 2\partial(|x|) + x \cdot \partial^2(|x|) \quad (13)$$

$$\partial^2(x \cdot |x|) = 2\partial(|x|) + 2x \cdot \delta \quad (14)$$

Colombeau algebra

❖ Schwartz's impossibility result

- From (11) and (14) follows : $x \cdot \delta = 0$ (15)
- *Theorem:* In A , if $x \cdot a = 0$ then $a = 0$.
- From (15) $\Rightarrow \delta = 0$.



Colombeau algebra

- ❑ New theory of generalized functions, more general than the theory of distributions
- ❑ **Jean-Francois Colombeau**
 - ❑ *New generalized function and multiplication of distributions (1984)*
 - ❑ *Elementary introduction to new generalized functions (1985)*
- ❑ **Colombeau algebra**
 - ❑ The product in the algebra generalizes classical product of C^∞ - functions



Colombeau algebra - construction

- $\mathbf{N}_0 = \mathbf{N} \cup \{0\}$ - non negative integers
- $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ - the space of C^∞ - functions $\varphi: \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ with compact support

- for $j \in \mathbf{N}_0$ and $q \in \mathbf{N}_0$ next sets are defined:

$$A_0(\mathbf{R}^n) = \left\{ \varphi(x) \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{R}^n) \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} \varphi(x) dx = 1 \right. \right\}$$

$$A_q(\mathbf{R}^n) = \left\{ \varphi(x) \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{R}^n) \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} \varphi(x) dx = 1, \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} x^j \varphi(x) dx = 0; 1 \leq |j| \leq q \right. \right\}$$

$$q \geq 1 \quad x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n \quad j = (j_1, j_2, \dots, j_n) \in \mathbf{N}^n$$
$$|j| = j_1 + j_2 + \dots + j_n \quad x^j = (x_1)^{j_1} (x_2)^{j_2} \dots (x_n)^{j_n}$$



Colombeau algebra - construction

❖ $A_0 \supset A_1 \supset A_2 \supset A_3 \dots$

❖ *Theorem:* The sets A_q are non empty.

Proof: J.F.Colombeau, *Elementary Introduction to New Generalized Functions* (1985)

❖ For $\varphi \in A_q(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ we denote:

$$\varphi_\varepsilon(x) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^n} \varphi\left(\frac{x}{\varepsilon}\right) \quad (16)$$

$$\check{\varphi}(x) = \varphi(-x) \quad (17)$$



Colombeau algebra - construction

- ❖ $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ - algebra of functions $f(\varphi, x): A_0(\mathbf{R}^n) \times \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ that are infinitely many times differentiable with respect of the second variable x (with fixed test function φ)
- ❖ The space $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n)$ is subalgebra of $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ (those functions that don't depend of φ)
- ❖ Embedding of distributions is such that embedding of $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n)$ - functions is identity



Colombeau algebra - construction

- $\mathcal{E}_M[\mathbf{R}^n]$ - subalgebra of $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ with elements such that for every compact subset K from \mathbf{R}^n and every $p \in \mathbf{N}_0$ there exists $q \in \mathbf{N}$ such that for arbitrary $\varphi \in A_q(\mathbf{R}^n)$ there exist $c > 0$, $\eta > 0$ and the relation holds:

$$\sup_{x \in K} |\partial^p f(\varphi_\varepsilon, x)| \leq c \varepsilon^{-q} \quad (18)$$

for $0 < \varepsilon < \eta$.

- Functions in $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ whose derivatives are bounded on compact subsets with negative powers of ε



Colombeau algebra - construction

► $f \in C(\mathbf{R}^n)$

► With the mapping:

$$F(\varphi, x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(y) \varphi(y-x) dy = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x+t) \varphi(t) dt \quad (19)$$

the space $C(\mathbf{R}^n)$ is embedded in $\mathcal{E}_M[\mathbf{R}^n]$.

□ $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n)$ is contained in $\mathcal{E}_M[\mathbf{R}^n]$ in a way that $f(x)$ are those functions $f(\varphi, x)$ that don't depend of φ .

□ $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n) \subset C(\mathbf{R}^n)$ are embedded in $\mathcal{E}_M[\mathbf{R}^n]$ with (19).

$$f(x) \neq \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x+\varepsilon t) \varphi(t) dt \quad (20)$$

□ Ideal such that the difference in (20) will vanish



Colombeau algebra - construction

- $\mathcal{I}[\mathbf{R}^n]$ is an ideal in $\mathcal{E}_M[\mathbf{R}^n]$ consisting of functions $f(\varphi, x)$ such that for every compact subset K of \mathbf{R}^n and each $p \in \mathbf{N}_0$ there exist $q \in \mathbf{N}$ such that for any $r \geq q$ and each $\varphi \in A_r(\mathbf{R}^n)$ there exist $c > 0$, $\eta > 0$ and it holds:

$$\sup_{x \in K} \left| \partial^p f(\varphi_\varepsilon, x) \right| \leq c \varepsilon^{r-q} \quad (21)$$

For $0 < \varepsilon < \eta$.

- The elements of $\mathcal{I}[\mathbf{R}^n]$ are called null functions
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Colombeau algebra - construction

$$\square \quad f(x) \neq \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x + \varepsilon t) \varphi(t) dt \quad (22)$$

$$\square \quad F(\varphi, x) = f(x) - \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x + t) \varphi(t) dt \quad (23)$$

$$\square \quad F(\varphi_\varepsilon, x) = - \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} [f(x + \varepsilon t) - f(x)] \varphi(t) dt \quad (24)$$

$$\square \quad F(\varphi_\varepsilon, x) \in \mathcal{I}[\mathbf{R}^n]$$

$$\square \quad \text{The difference in (22) vanishes in the factor algebra } \frac{\mathcal{E}_M[\mathbf{R}^n]}{\mathcal{I}[\mathbf{R}^n]}$$



- ❖ **Generalized functions in Colombeau theory are elements of quotient algebra**

$$\mathcal{G} \equiv \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n) = \frac{\mathcal{E}_M[\mathbf{R}^n]}{\mathcal{I}[\mathbf{R}^n]} \quad (25)$$

- ❖ In $\mathcal{E}_M[\mathbf{R}^n]$ the equivalence relation is defined ' \sim ':

$$F_1 \sim F_2 \Leftrightarrow F_1 - F_2 \in \mathcal{I}[\mathbf{R}^n] \quad (26)$$

- ❖ The generalized functions in Colombeau theory are an equivalence classes of smooth functions
 - ❖ New generalized functions (Colombeau generalized functions)
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Embedding of distributions in Colombeau algebra

$$\begin{aligned} \square \quad f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n) \quad f &\rightarrow f(\varphi, x) \in \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n) \\ f(\varphi, x) &= f(x) \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \square \quad f \in C(\mathbf{R}^n) \quad f &\rightarrow f(\varphi, x) \in \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n) \\ f(\varphi, x) &= \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(y) \varphi(y-x) dy = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x+y) \varphi(y) dy \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \square \quad f \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n) \quad f &\rightarrow f(\varphi, x) \in \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n) \\ f(\varphi, x) &= \left(f * \overset{\vee}{\varphi} \right)(x) = \langle f(y), \varphi(y-x) \rangle = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(y) \varphi(y-x) dy \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$



Embedding of distributions in Colombeau algebra

- ✓ each distribution is associated with equivalence class $f \in \mathcal{G}$ (*new generalized function*) of an element $f_\varepsilon \in \mathcal{E}_M$
- ✓ f_ε - *representative of the distribution* f
- ✓ Operations product and differentiation of generalized functions are performed on an arbitrary representative from the classes of those generalized function which is C^∞ - функција
- ✓ Results are independent of the representatives choosen



Association in Colombeau algebra

- ✓ The space of smooth functions $C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n)$ is subalgebra of Colombeau algebra $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n)$.
- ✓ Space of continuous functions $C(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and the space of distributions $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$ are not subalgebras of Colombeau algebra $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n)$.
- ✓ If f, g are two continuous functions (or distributions which classical product exists), the embedding of their classical product fg and the product of their embeddings $f \cdot g$ in \mathcal{G} may not coincide.
- ✓ This difference of the products has been overcome introducing the concept of „association“ in \mathcal{G}



Association in Colombeau algebra

- ❖ Generalized functions $F, G \in \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ are said to be **associated** ($F \approx G$) if for each representatives $f(\varphi_\varepsilon, x)$ and $g(\varphi_\varepsilon, x)$ and each $\psi(x) \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{R}^n)$, there exists $q \in \mathbf{N}_0$ such that for any $\varphi(x) \in A_q(\mathbf{R}^n)$ holds:

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0_+} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |f(\varphi_\varepsilon, x) - g(\varphi_\varepsilon, x)| \psi(x) dx = 0 \quad (30)$$

- ❖ Generalized function $F \in \mathcal{G}$ is associated with the distribution $u \in \mathcal{D}'$ ($F \approx u$) if for each representative of that generalized function and arbitrary $f(\varphi_\varepsilon, x)$ and each $\psi(x) \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{R}^n)$, there exist $q \in \mathbf{N}_0$ such that for any $\varphi(x) \in A_q(\mathbf{R}^n)$ holds:

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0_+} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(\varphi_\varepsilon, x) \psi(x) dx = \langle u, \psi \rangle \quad (31)$$



Association in Colombeau algebra

- ✓ Above definitions are independent of the representatives chosen
- ✓ The distribution associated, if it exists, is unique
- ✓ Elements of Colombeau algebra with this process of association is associated to element in \mathcal{D}' which allows us to consider obtained results in the sense of distribution.
 - ✓ Not any element in Colombeau algebra has associated distribution!



Association in Colombeau algebra

- *Theorem:* If $f, g \in C(\mathbf{R}^n)$ are two continuous functions, their product $f \cdot g$ in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R})$ is associated with their classical product fg in $C(\mathbf{R}^n)$.
- *Theorem:* If $f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$, the product $f \cdot T$ in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ is associated with the classical product fT in $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$.
- *Theorem:* If S and T are two distributions in $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and their classical product ST in $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbf{R}^n)$ exists, then the product of these two distributions $S \cdot T$ in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ is associated with their classical product ST .



Association in Colombeau algebra

- ✓ Two distributions embedded in Colombeau algebra are new (Colombeau) generalized functions
- ✓ Product of two distributions in \mathcal{G} is in general new (Colombeau) generalized function (for which there may not exist associated distribution)
- ✓ *Is for the product of two distributions in \mathcal{G} there exists associated distribution, we say that there exists **Colombeau product of those two distributions***
- ✓ If the classical product of two distributions exists, then their Colombeau product also exists and is the same with the first one



Colombeau theory of generalized functions

- ✓ New (Colombeau) generalized functions – generalization of the Schwartz's definition of distributions
- ✓ Solving problems with product of distributions, problems with discontinuous functions, problems with differentiation (all the operations are performed on arbitrary representative which is smooth function)
- ✓ Many products of distributions that are not defined in the classical theory of distributions, exist as Colombeau products
- ✓ Association in Colombeau algebra allows us to consider obtained results in terms of distributions



Results on products of distributions and application of Colombeau algebra

- New theory of generalized functions, optimal properties for dealing with distributions – increasing number of scientists who work with Colombeau algebras

- B. Damyanov (1997) in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R})$:

$$x_+^{-r-1/2} \cdot x_-^{r-1/2} \approx \frac{(-1)^r \pi}{2} \delta(x) \quad (32)$$

$$r = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

- B. Damyanov (1999) in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^m)$, for $p \in \mathbf{N}^m$:

$$x^{-p} \cdot \delta^{(p-1)}(x) \approx \frac{(-1)^{|p|} (p-1)!}{2^m (2p-1)!} \delta^{(2p-1)}(x) \quad (33)$$



Results on products of distributions and application of Colombeau algebra

- B. T. Jolevska, T. A. Pacemska (2013) in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R})$:

$$x_+^{-r-1/2} \cdot x_-^{-r-1/2} \approx \frac{\pi}{2(2r)!} \delta^{(2r)}(x) \quad (34)$$

- **B. Jolevska-Tuneska**, A. Takaci and E. Ozcag: *On differential equations with non-standard coefficients*, Applicable Analysis and Discrete Mathematics, 1 (2007),1-8.
- Application of Colombeau algebra in science and engineering



New results on products of distributions

- ❑ Marija Miteva and Biljana Jolevska-Tuneska. *Some Results on Colombeau Product of Distributions. Advances in Mathematics: Scientific Journal*. Vol 1, No. 2, 121-126 (2012).
- ❑ Theorem1: The product of generalized functions $\ln|x|$ and $\delta^{(s-1)}(x)$, for $s = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R})$ admits an associated distribution and it holds:

$$\ln|x| \cdot \delta^{(s-1)}(x) \approx \frac{(-1)^s}{s} \delta^{(s-1)}(x) \quad (35)$$



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□ Theorem 2: The product of generalized functions x_+^{-k} and $\delta^{(p)}(x)$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots$ and $p = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R})$ admits an associated distribution and it holds:

$$x_+^{-k} \cdot \delta^{(p)}(x) \approx \frac{(-1)^k k \cdot p!}{(p+k+1)!} \delta^{(k+p)}(x) \quad (36)$$



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□ Theorem3: The product of generalized functions x_+^{-k} and $\delta^{(p)}(x)$, for $k = 1, 2, \dots$ and $p = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R}^m)$ admits an associated distribution and it holds:

$$x_+^{-k} \cdot \delta^{(p)}(x) \approx \frac{(-1)^p k \cdot p!}{(p+k+1)!} \delta^{(k+p)}(x) \quad (37)$$



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- Theorem4: The product of generalized functions $x_+^{-r-1/2}$ and $x_-^{-k-1/2}$, for $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ and $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R})$ admits an associated distribution and it holds:

$$x_+^{-r-1/2} \cdot x_-^{-k-1/2} \approx \frac{\pi}{2(r+k)!} \delta^{(r+k)}(x) \quad (41)$$



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- Theorem 5: The product of generalized functions $x_+^{-r-1/2}$ and $x_-^{k-1/2}$, for $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ and $r \geq k$ in $\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{R})$ admits an associated distribution and it holds:

$$x_+^{-r-1/2} \cdot x_-^{k-1/2} \approx C_{r,k} \delta^{(r-k)}(x) \quad (42)$$

$$C_{r,k} = \frac{(-1)^r (2k-1)!! k! r! \pi}{2(4k-1)!! (2r-1)!! (r-k)! (r+k)!} \sum_{q=0}^{2k} (-1)^q \binom{2k}{q} \binom{r-k}{k-q} (2(r+q)-1)!! (2(k-q)-1)!!$$

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